

# **State Water Resources Control Board**



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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON STAY REQUEST

The State Water Resources Control Board will hold a hearing to consider whether a stay should remain in effect on

Petition of Humboldt Watershed Council,
Environmental Protection Information Center,
and Sierra Club

(For Review of Directive to Enroll Pacific Lumber Company Timber Harvesting Plans under General Waste Discharge Requirements, Order No. R1-2004-0030)

SWRCB/OCC File No. A-1692

Monday, May 15, 2006, 11:00 a.m.

Cal/EPA Building 1001 I Street Coastal Hearing Room Sacramento, California

## SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE

On May 8, 2006, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (North Coast Water Board) issued two watershed-wide waste discharge requirements (WWDRs) for the Elk River and the Freshwater Creek watersheds. These WWDRs address timber harvesting as proposed by the Pacific Lumber Company (PALCO) in those drainages, the subject of the two pending petitions (A-1683 and A-1692). Petitioners had originally requested a stay under petition A-1692. Because of the adoption of those WWDRs, State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) legal staff have concluded that the question of whether a stay should be issued under A-1692 is moot. Furthermore, the petitioners do not propose to offer any evidence in support of the request for stay because they believe that the regulation of harvesting in these watersheds is regulated entirely by the WWDRs. The North Coast Water Board Executive Officer does not intend to offer any evidence regarding the stay request, believing that the issue is moot and that any further timber harvesting by PALCO in either watershed must comply with the WWDRs. PALCO has declined to agree that the matter is moot.

State Water Board legal staff will present the State Water Board with a proposed order finding that the guestion of whether a stay should be issued or continued under A-1692 is moot.

# **LOCATION AND ACCESSIBILITY**

The Cal/EPA Building is accessible to people with disabilities. Public parking is available across the street from the building. A map of the exact location is **attached** to this notice.

Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact Adrian Perez at (916) 341-5880 at least five (5) working days prior to the hearing.

# IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS

Questions concerning the hearing may be addressed to Theodore A. Cobb, Assistant Chief Counsel at (916) 341-5171 or at <a href="mailto:tcobb@waterboards.ca.gov">tcobb@waterboards.ca.gov</a>.

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Dated: May 11, 2006